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Charles Forcett Injured in Singular Manner—Negro Fined for Carrying Razor.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PETERSBURG, VA., September 24.—Dinwiddie county has about eighty public schools which will be opened for the next scholastic year on October 22. The schools are in better condition and are better supported than ever before. The school tax has been increased, the salaries of teachers raised, and the terms lengthened to eight months. The county has an active and most excellent superintendent in Dr. E. C. Powell, who takes great interest and pride in his work. Assisted by the district boards he has brought the schools up to a high standard, and made the system a progressive one.

Charles Forcett, a colored brakeman on the Seaboard Railroad, was quite badly hurt to-day, and in a rather singular manner. The train had stopped at Skelton for water and started off while Forcett was sitting on top of a box car. A rope dangling from the water tank caught him around the neck and he was dragged to the ground. One of his ankles was broken, and his neck was cut by the rope. He was brought to the Home for the Sick and attended by Dr. J. W. Burke, the company's surgeon.

Tom Archer, a negro, was fined \$20 in the Mayor's Court to-day for carrying a concealed razor. Tom was found partly drunk last night by Officer Beck. While attempting to take his razor to the station house, Archer drew his razor and attempted to slash the officer. He had to be clubbed before being subdued.

The Petersburg Club entertained its members to-night in its handsome apartments, corner of Sycamore and East Tabb Streets.

Alderman W. H. Lane, of the Fourth Ward, has had a long spell of illness of typhoid fever, and is still quite sick, though his condition is somewhat improved.

The Hustings Court will get down to work on an unusually large criminal docket on Tuesday next, and the entire week will probably be consumed in the trial of felony cases. The grand jury will meet for work at 10 o'clock in the morning. Housebreakings, robberies and the like cover the crimes to be investigated.

The Petersburg Grays, Captain H. V. Parham, will participate in the funeral ceremonies in honor of ex-Governor O'Ferrall, and will march in line with the Seventeenth Regiment.

The Petersburg Telephone Company expects to begin the erection of a commodious new exchange building on Union Street, next week. While it will be a building of modern architecture, it will also be constructed with a view to all necessary accommodations and conveniences, for the large and increasing business of the company.

Reports from the peanut section seem to indicate that the crop this year will not be as large as was expected early in the season. It is said that there was too much rain for the good of the crop, and that while the vines are luxuriant, the yield of nuts will be decreased.

Non-union composers and lithotype operators are being advertised for in Petersburg to work in Richmond.

SAVE TIME—TROUBLE—MONEY.

The Seaboard Air Line Railway has an up-to-date interchangeable mileage book, sold for \$25, containing 1,000 miles in coupons, accepted by twenty different railroads, and good over fifty thousand miles of track. All information as to rates, schedules or Pullman reservations cheerfully given by any Seaboard agent, Richmond Transfer Company, or District Passenger Agent's office, 830 East Main Street, Phone 406.

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GREAT OUTLOOK FOR HORSE SHOW

Twice As Many Entries As Were Received Last Year.

BATTLE ROYAL IN HARNESS

Many Well-Known Exhibitors Will Be Here—Complete List on Tuesday.

The entries for the Richmond Horse Show closed last night, and the management is more than satisfied with the result.

Although the lists are now closed, it will be several days, probably Tuesday, before the last entries come in, for all that are mailed by midnight yesterday will, under the rules, be received.

Mr. James T. Hyde, secretary of the Richmond Horse Show, is still in New York, and is receiving entries at No. 15 East Twenty-third Street.

He will reach Richmond on Tuesday and take active charge, and will bring with him the entries he had received in New York.

The officers of the association have succeeded in obtaining excellent rates on all railroads running into Richmond. There will be a half rate, plus 50 cents for entrance to show, from all stations in Virginia. The Southern Railway announce half rates from Greensboro, Durham, Goldsboro and intermediate points. The Atlantic Coast Line offer half rate from Wilson, Greenville, Washington, Plymouth and intermediate points. The Seaboard Air Line offers half rate from Raleigh, Durham and intermediate points, and attended by Dr. J. W. Burke, the company's surgeon.

Tickets Go On Sale. All these tickets are on sale from October 9th to October 14th, and are good until October 15th.

During Horse Show week the great Currier Indians will play the University of Virginia foot-ball, and this will tend to increase the enormous crowds that will visit Richmond. At one of the performances last year there were 8,000 people in the immense auditorium, and every indication points to larger crowds this year than ever before.

On Friday will be held the matinee, and one of the events of the show will take place at that time. The road tours will race from the Deep Run Hunt Club to the Horse Show Building. This event has never been seen at a Richmond horse show, and it will no doubt greatly please the horse show crowd.

It has been rumored that after this year the association will not have the Auditorium. This was positively denied by President John Thomas Anderson and Secretary William O. Warthen on yesterday.

Own the Building.

President Anderson said: "We own the building until 1907, and we have a contract with the Passenger and Power Company that gives us the right to use the building indefinitely. You can say that the rumor is absolutely without foundation. The show this year will be greater than it has ever been, and we intend to give better shows each year in the future. Nothing is too good for the people of Virginia and North Carolina, and we are trying to give them the best."

The ticket office in the Chamber of Commerce is a busy place and the seats are selling rapidly. On yesterday, Secretary Warthen received by telegram from people in the North, asking that boxes be reserved.

Unfortunately there were none to reserve, as every box has been sold long ago.

When the mall was opened last night it was found that there were twice as many entries as last year.

Like Battle Royal.

It looks like a battle royal in the harness classes, as the following list, which shows only a small part of the exhibitors, will indicate:

Mrs. Grosvenor's New York stable of thirty harness horses.

Mr. David Dunlop's stable of twenty.

Mr. John Kerr Branch's stable of three.

Messrs. Wood & Hale, of Ohio, with four.

Mr. J. W. Welschfeld, of Baltimore, with six.

Mr. C. W. Watson, of New York, with thirty.

Mr. J. F. Carlisle, of New York, with eight.

Messrs. Hale, Garber & Garber, with four.

Mr. Maxwell Wyeth with two.

Mr. A. Randolph Howard, of Fredericksburg, with four.

Mr. W. P. Drewry, of New York, has entered his roadsters and has Mr. Joseph A. Pollard.

It is thought that Mr. E. A. Saunders and Mr. John K. Branch will both have a number of entries in the roadster classes.

Mrs. Grosvenor has some of the old favorites in her stable, but the string has greatly improved since last year. Amongst her new favorites are "The President" and "The Baron," which belonged formerly to Mr. Eber Jordan, of Boston.

Mr. Jay F. Carlisle, of New York, will in the appointment classes show the public a thing or two, as he is a recognized authority on appointments.

Hunters and Jumpers.

Amongst the hunter and jumper exhibitors are Hon. Roy Mitchell, 2d, of Annapolis, Va.; Mr. George Seay, of Richmond; Mr. John W. McComb, of Orange county; Mrs. Allen Potts, of Castle Hill; Mr. H. C. Beattie, of Bloomingdale; Mr. T. N. Carter, of Richmond; Mr. Sydney, of Richmond; Hon. Joseph H. Willard, of Fairfax; Dr. Robert C. Bryan, of Richmond, and others.

The Deep Run Hunt class is well filled, and the names of the entries give evidence of a good exhibition.

In the park hack classes entries have been made by Mrs. John Spratley, Mr. W. H. William Spratley, Mrs. Allen Potts, Mrs. Grosvenor, Mrs. John K. Branch and others.

The pony classes are well filled, and the management announces that the high jump contests will be of the highest order. Gray Rock, it is said, will make a bid for the world's record.

ANTIETAM RECOLLECTION

A First View and Impression of General R. E. Lee.

A SOLDIER'S TALE BY C. A. RICHARDSON—THE FIFTEENTH VIRGINIA INFANTRY.

After the lapse of forty-three years I distinctly recall the famous place and the memorable conditions surrounding the great soldier when I first had the privilege and honor to see him. I was then a fairly observant youth, in my twentieth year, a period at which we are apt to receive and retain vivid impressions of any noted event or famous per-

sonage, personally seen and known. As one grows old there is a commendable tendency to indulge the reminiscence mood. As a matter of blended fact and sentiment, most of us like to look back and lovingly dwell on the pleasant and notable things of the past in which we were actors. At times I am given to such moods of tender and pathetic, sober and serious reflections.

Then over the kindly stretch of more than two score years, I would call up in proud memory the fabled portraits of that manly, heroic figure, so often and so gracefully seated on his noble, trusty steed. In recalling my first view and impression, I take it to be well within the province of this sketch to state the place, circumstances, environments, as they were all quite remarkable, now forming illustrious pages in American history.

They also help to depict to some extent the grand character of one of the great soldiers of the past two centuries. It was about noon of September 17, 1862, at Sharpsburg, during the terrible, sanguinary and indecisive battle of Antietam.

LEE RIDES THE LINES OF FIRE.

Here I first saw General Robert E. Lee, riding along the firing line. He was inquiring for General Jackson. I heard him make the inquiry of several officers. I was so impressed with the noble bearing, the stately appearance of the man, and his good, substantial mount, that I was induced to ask an officer near me if he was not some general officer. I received the prompt reply that the distinguished man was no less a personage than General Robert E. Lee. I had thought before I put my question that he was one of our generals, but I had no idea he was our great commander-in-chief. His wore no sign of his exalted rank.

Gray uniform displayed no ornament of any kind indicating the high grade of his official position. Still, the personal appearance of such a well-developed, manly figure was very imposing and attractive, and he was well

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mounted on a large, trusty looking horse. I was not so greatly surprised at being informed that the dignified, commanding looking soldier was General R. E. Lee, but I was surprised and felt uneasy that he should be where he was likely to be struck down any second. I so expressed myself, at the same time remarking that in a mile of the battlefield. It is not generally the rule that the commander-in-chief advances with the men under a terrible, sweeping fire of rifles and musketry and shrieking, bursting shells. He is down, and his brigadier-generals and subordinates are expected to do this, and occasionally his major-generals lend their assuring presence in a hot and doubtful struggle. I readily recall two gallant old brigadier-generals—Paul Semmes and M. D. Corse—that I had the honor to serve under, who always led their men in any and every general engagement with the enemy.

THE GREATEST FIGHT OF THE NINETEENTH CENTURY.

So it came about that I first saw General Robert E. Lee, to know him, at Sharpsburg, September 17, 1862, while the great battle of Antietam was in full swing. While it was raging, while some one hundred and twenty thousand (120,000) men were making the greatest fight of the nineteenth century, not excepting Waterloo, which, in some respects, resembled Antietam, but with very different results, Napoleon being defeated and leaving a field with a badly routed army, Lee, with his heroic army occupying and resting on the field of battle, the entire day after the battle, and then, the night of September 18th, retreating deliberately, and in good order, carrying all his guns and baggage. When General Lee looked firm and resolute, perfectly self-poised, confident, dignified. He evidently felt that his 38,000 veterans could hold the field and carry it over the 22,000 men composing the Federal host. I saw our great Lee and his horse with the light of battle in his eye, heroic in every feature. It was during the most critical and trying part of that most desperate day, when the deadly, bloody tide of dubious conflict was fiercely, turbulently ebbing and flowing; when the red vintage of human gore flowed in cornfields and apple orchards, in open hollows and on wooded slopes; often blushing the pure waters of the modest streams, and staining the shapely leaves of the sheltering forest.

THE FORTUNE OF WAR TREMBLES IN THE BALANCE.

On this terrible, this unsung, field at midday, the struggle for supremacy was most eventful and uncertain. It could not be told where the bird of victory would fold its weary and triumphant wings. It was here "the red badge of courage" haunted its crimson hues over all the fair face of peaceful nature; it was here that knightly deeds far outshone the mythical splendor of that vanished time "when knighthood was in flower." It was here that "captains courageous" only emulated the superb courage of their men; each and all bravely doing amid so many heroes dead and dying.

It was here we would have been so sorely pressed as was gallant Roland at fatal Roncesvalles had not our peerless Charlemagne been with us. "WE WILL FIGHT TO-MORROW, GOOD-NIGHT."

And it was here and then the heroic manhood of Robert E. Lee was tried and tested, and found equal to the emergency of holding his battle lines of offense and defense against the powerful enemy. The night after the battle, after

taking counsel with his generals, he dismissed them with the words: "Gentlemen, if General McClellan wishes to continue this fight to-morrow, we will give him battle; see that your commands are held ready. Goodnight." The Federal commander-in-chief did not see fit to renew the battle the next day.

NUMBERS.

As I take it, upon a fair and reasonable estimate, the relative strength of the two armies the morning of September 18th would be about 28,000 Confederates and 68,000 Federals. This would be placing the Confederate loss at from 9,000 to 10,000 men; the Federal loss at from 12,000 to 15,000 the preceding day. In simply stating a situation of fact, now a matter of history, I have no comment to make as to the reason entertained by a general with 68,000 men declining to engage in battle with another general who did not have 28,000 available men. The two armies were convenient to each other; they were in plain sight of one another; on the same field they had fought on the day before; there was no long, weary marching necessary to precede the deadly rattle of musketry; the loud thunder of artillery. Why the general with an enemy vastly superior in numbers and warlike equipment did not renew an indecisive battle, so newly fought on ground of his own choosing, with the ready opportunity of a whole day is a matter the writer does not propose to discuss in this random sketch; suffice it to say this great event has gone into history pro and con.

THE HONORS OF WAR WITH THE CONFEDERATES.

We think the honors of the heroic occasion unquestionably rest with our "Lost Cause," and our great commander. But forsooth, there was no fighting at Sharpsburg or Antietam, the 18th day of September, 1862. This is a well-known matter of fact, well established beyond all dispute by history and survivors on both sides. History will severely preserve the name and fame of Robert E. Lee among the truest, noblest, most peer-

less soldiers of any age or clime. A northern historian has been kind and honest and brave enough to write down the great battle of Sharpsburg or Antietam as "a drawn battle."

Following this statement I think it relevant to add that now in the certain, steady light of authentic history, we learn from the reports General McClellan sent to General Halleck, the Secretary of War, during the fiercest of the Antietam fighting, that he regarded the Confederate forces opposed to him as numerically superior to his own, and he had very serious doubts as to the results of the battle. I take it to be fairly inferential, the facts being sustained, that all this only adds to the assured fame, the undimmed glory of our matchless chieftain, and the superb fighting quality of his heroic men. Unfortunately it was for General McClellan, it was very fortunate for the Confederate Army that several of the ablest Federal generals, including "The John Porter," were not at their best, and did not take the really game fight made by General Burnside on the Federal right against General Longstreet on the Confederate left.

With the closing of this memorable and historic September day a kindly and timely night granted a respite to the combatants. Neither army had met defeat, and neither claimed a victory. The day following, September 18th, both armies rested on the battlefield all unmolested.

After efforts so unyielding, so great, it is quite possible both sides were greatly exhausted.

In this brief sketch I have only written of Antietam in a general way, principally to recall the first time I saw the greatest of soldiers, the noblest of men; a name respected and honored alike by friend and foe, far and near, at home and abroad, the illustrious name of Robert E. Lee.

C. A. RICHARDSON.

Co. "B," 15th Rgt., Va. Vols.

Richmond, Va., September, 1905.
Note.—An official statement of the casualties of Antietam show the Federal losses to be 12,000, the Confederate losses 9,000, a total of 21,000, or near twenty-five per centum of the actual forces engaged. General McClellan is known to have had from 10,000 to 12,000 men held in reserve. We may well agree with General Longstreet that the battle of Antietam was the hardest fought, and the most bloody battle for any one day's fighting of the Civil War.

C. A. R.

CANDIDATES' EXPENSES.

Successful and Unsuccessful Aspirants for House and Senate.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., September 23.—Judge P. W. Sims, of Louisa, Democratic candidate for the State Senate from this district; Mr. Granville R. Swift, of this city, Democratic nominee for the House of Delegates, and Dr. C. R. Massey, of Spotsylvania, who was defeated for the Democratic nomination by Mr. Swift, have filed their statements of expenses of their candidacy before the primary. Judge Sims spent \$69, Mr. Swift \$30.00, and Dr. Massey \$23.

Colonel E. D. Cole has been appointed chief marshal of the fair to be held in this city next week.

A substantial new bridge has been constructed across Passapatanzy Creek, in King George county, near where it empties into the Potomac River.

Mr. Jesse Burrows, son of Mrs. Ella Burrows, of this city, has gone to Pan-

ama, having accepted a business position there.

Mrs. Joseph Baker, of Stafford, stuck a nail in her foot about two weeks ago, and she now has lockjaw.

HISTORIC TREE FORCIBLY TAKEN BY GEN. MILES

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., Sept. 23.—The burning of the historic hotel at Spotsylvania Courthouse recalls the incident that Joseph Sanford, owner of the building in 1860, carried the famous tree eighteen inches in diameter, which was cut down by bullets at the "Bloody Angle" battle to this hotel, and that later this tree was forcibly taken from Mr. Sanford by General Miles, and it was placed in the Smithsonian Institute at Washington, where it is still an object of interest. Mr. Sanford was afterwards paid \$500 for the tree by the United States Government.

Household Belongings Burned.

There is a worthy lady in Richmond who is a victim of unfortunate circumstances. A case of smallpox developed at her house, and when the house was thoroughly fumigated, the bedding of every description was burned. She is unable to buy more, and she is worthy of any help the citizens of the community may wish to give her. Those wishing to send bedding or furniture will be put on the right track by calling at The Times-Dispatch business office.

Not An Accident.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir—Will you please correct an error in regard to the statement in yesterday morning's paper. The shooting of little Julian Train by Newton Maxey was not an accident, but the result of deliberate aim, as he openly acknowledged in court.

Mrs. A. GLASS.

Street Railway Wins Suit.

The trial of the damage suit of Arthur Hayes against the Virginia Passenger and Power Company came to an end in the Law and Equity Court yesterday afternoon. The argument was concluded early in the afternoon, and a verdict was rendered for the defendants. Hayes claimed \$2,000 as damages alleged to be due him because of injury in an accident.

LETTER TO HENRY J. BROWN.

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